#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session and ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System; and

The nomination of General Michael V. Hayden, United States Air Force, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 12 public bills, H.R. 5452–5463; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 413–414; and H. Res. 833–834, were introduced. **Page H3137** 

**Additional Cosponsors:** 

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Reports Filed: Report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 832, providing for consideration of H.R. 5427, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–479).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Chocola to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:18 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. Page H3021

Discharge Petition: Representative Costello moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 814, providing for the consideration of H.R. 4755, to amend title 49, United States Code, to modify the mediation and implementation requirements of section 40122 regarding changes in the Federal Aviation Administration personnel management system (Discharge Petition No. 13).

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and agreed to a conference.

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Appointed as conferees: Representatives Lewis of California, Young of Florida, Regula, Rogers of Kentucky, Wolf, Kolbe, Walsh, Taylor of North Carolina, Hobson, Bonilla, Knollenberg, Obey, Murtha, Sabo, Mollohan, Olver, Visclosky, Lowey, and Edwards.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Monday, May 22nd:

Palestinian Anti-Terrorism Act of 2006: H.R. 4681, amended, to promote the development of democratic institutions in areas under the administrative control of the Palestinian Authority, by a ½3 yea-and-nay vote of 361 yeas to 37 nays with nine voting "present", Roll No. 181.

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Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act of 2006: The House passed by unanimous consent S. 2349, amended, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process.

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Agreed to strike all after the enacting clause of S. 2349 and insert in lieu thereof the provisions of H.R. 4975, as engrossed by the House. Page H3038

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To provide greater transparency with respect to lobbying activities, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to clarify when organizations described in section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 must register as political committees, and for other purposes.".

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Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2007: The House passed H.R. 5384, to make appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, by a yea-and-nay vote of 378 yeas to 46 nays, Roll No. 193, after agreeing to order the previous question.

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Later, agreed to limit the number of amendments made in order for debate and the time limit for debate on each amendment.

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Agreed to:

Butterfield amendment to increase funding (by offset) for Rural Community Advancement Program account by \$5 millon; Page H3058

Holt amendment (No. 18 printed in the Congressional Record of May 22nd) would increase the funding for Organic Transitions Program from \$1.855 million to \$5 million; Pages H3059-61

Baca amendment that increases funding (by offset) for minority education and farming programs under the USDA;

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Faleomavaega amendment to increase funding (by transfer) for resident instruction grants for insular areas by \$200,000; Pages H3065-66

Ryan of Ohio amendment prohibit funds made available by this Act made availabe that closure of any local or county office of the Farm Service Agency; Pages H3069-70

Lucas amendment strikes the \$810,000 appropriation for salaries and expenses for the Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment;

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Sanders amendment directs attention to funding levels for Rural Community Advancement Programs;

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Bonilla amendment adds a new section at the end of the bill which states that the limitation in section 721 shall not apply below a program level of \$1,127,000,000; Page H3080

Boren admendment prohibits the use of funds from being made available for the Agricultural Research Service to reprogram programs and resources currently operating at Lane, Oklahoma; Page H3082

Gordon amendment prohibits the use of funds from being available in contravention of the Federal buildings performance and reporting requirements of Executive Order 13123, the National Energy Conservation Policy Act, and the Energy Policy Act of 2005;

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Carter amendment prohibits not more than \$3,600,000 of the funds made available in the Act under section 522(e) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act for program compliance integrity under section 515 of such Act;

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Engel amendment, as modified, prohibits the use of funds from being made available to acquire a motor vehicle other than an alternative fueled vehicle;

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Slaughter amendment to redirect \$1 million in section 753 to the Center for Veterinary Medicine for application review activities to assure the safety of animal drugs with respect to antimicrobial resistance, pursuant to section 512 of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, in addition to all other allocations for such purpose made from such total amount;

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Weiner amendment to increase (by offset) the funding for Animal and Plant Health Inspection

Service by \$23 million (by a recorded vote of 234 ayes to 184 noes, Roll No. 182);

#### Pages H3055-58, H3095

Kennedy of Minnesota amendment (No. 17 printed in the Congressional Record of May 22nd) increases funding (by offset) for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services account by \$500,000 (by a recorded vote of 345 ayes to 76 noes, Roll No. 183);

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Garrett amendment to prohibit any of the funds made available in the Act from being used to send or otherwise pay for the attendance of more than 50 employees from a Federal department or agency at any single conference occurring outside the United States and that of the funds made available in the Act to any Federal department or agency, not more than \$8,167,978, may be obligated or expended by such department or agency for the purpose of sending or otherwise paying for employees from such department or agency to attend conferences occurring outside the United States;

Pages H3101–02

Garrett amendment to prohibit any of the funds provided in Act from being expended in contravention of section 213a of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1183a) (by a recorded vote of 266 ayes to 153 noes, Roll No. 189);

Pages H3103, H3115-16

#### Rejected:

Paul amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of May 16th) that sought to prohibit funds made available in this Act may be used to implement or administer the National Animal Identification System (by a recorded vote of 34 ayes to 389 noes, Roll No. 184);

Pages H3080–83, H3096–97

Chabot amendment (No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of May 16th) that sought to eliminate the Market Access Program (MAP) which subsidizes the overseas marketing and promotion of agricultural products (by a recorded vote of 79 ayes to 342 noes, Roll No. 185); Pages H3086–87, H3097–98

Hefley amendment (No. 8 printed in the Congressional Record of May 16th) that sought to reduce the bill's total discretionary spending by 1 percent (by a recorded vote of 99 ayes to 322 noes, Roll No. 186);

Pages H3088–89, H3098–99

Blumenauer amendment (No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of May 16th) which sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel who make loans available under section 156 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 to processors of domestically grown sugarcane at a rate in excess of 17 cents per pound for raw cane sugar or to processors of domestically grown sugar beets at a rate in excess of 21.6 cents per

pound for refined beet sugar (by a recorded vote of 135 ayes to 281 noes, Roll No. 187);

#### Pages H3090-93, H3099

Gutknecht amendment (No. 13, printed in the Congressional Record of May 16th) that sought to prohibit any of the funds made available in the Act from being used to implement the limitation in section 720 of the Act (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 188);

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Flake admendment that sought to prohibit any of the funds made available by the Act from being used from funding the Fruit and Vegetable Market Analysis, Arizona and Missouri grant from funding the Fruit and Vegetable Market Analysis, Arizona and Missouri grant; Pages H3105-06

Flake admendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill for the Food Marketing Policy Center, Connecticut grant;

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Flake admendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill for research and education activities for greenhouse nurseries in Ohio; Pages H3108-09

Flake admendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill for aquaculture in Ohio;

#### Pages H3109-10

Flake admendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill for the Wood Utilization grant;

#### Pages H3112-14

Flake admendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill to fund dairy education in Iowa (by a recorded vote of 92 ayes to 325 noes, Roll No. 190);

Pages H3104-05, H3117

Flake admendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill for the Hydroponic Tomato Production, Ohio grant (by a recorded vote of 90 ayes to 328 noes, Roll No. 191); and

#### Pages H3110-12, H3116-17

Flake admendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill for the National Grape and Wine Initiative (by a recorded vote of 87 ayes to 328 noes, Roll No. 192).

Pages H3114–15, H3117–18

Withdrawn:

Kucinich amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to reduce the appropriation for expenses of the office of the Secretary by \$1;

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Kennedy of Minnesota amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of May 16th) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to provide \$500,000 in loan repayments for new veterinarians who choose to work in rural and other underserved areas, the same amount that was passed into law last year. The funds would be transferred from the Agriculture Buildings and Facilities and Rental Payments Account; Pages H3058-59

Kucinich amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to direct attention to the funding levels provided for BSE (mad-cow disease) under the enhanced surveillance program;

#### Pages H3066-69

Tiahrt amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available to promulgate regulations without consideration of the effect of such regulations on the competitiveness of American businesses;

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King of Iowa amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to add a new section cited as the "Livestock Identification and Marketing Opportunities Act."; Pages H3083–86

Latham amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to add a new section to prohibit the use of funds from being made available to pay salaries and expenses of personnel who implement or administer section 741 or section 508(e)(3) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act or any regulation, bulletin, policy, or agency guidance issued pursuant to such section for the 2007 and the 2008 reinsurance years, except that funds are available to administer such section for policies for those producers who, before the date of the enactment of this Act, had in effect a crop year 2006 crop insurance policy from a company eligible for the opportunity to offer a premium reduction under such section for the 2006 reinsurance year; Pages H3089-90

Reichert amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to prohibit any of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by the Act from being used to apply part 1124 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, to any producer-handler that produces less than 9 million pounds of milk per month;

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Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to prohibit any of the funds appropriated in the Act from being used to deny compensation to eligible individuals filing claims to be satisfied out of the settlement fund approved by the court April 14, 1999 in Pigford v. Glickman, 185 F.R.D. 82 (D.D.C 1999); and

Pages H3100-01

Baca amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to prohibit funds appropriated by the Act from being expended to reimburse a State agency for expenses under section 16(a) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 if the State has implemented certain operational changes.

Pages H3103-04

Point of Order sustained against:

DeLauro amendment that sought to increase funding (by offset and reduction in tax cuts) for various programs;

Pages H3063-64

The proviso beginning on page 80, line 19, and ending on page 81 line 7 sought to change existing law and constituted legislation in an appropriations bill;

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The proviso beginning on page 81, line 16, and ending on page 82 line 5 sought to change existing law and constituted legislation in an appropriations bill; and

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The proviso beginning on page 82, line 6, and ending on page 82 line 17 sought to change existing law and constituted legislation in an appropriations bill; and

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Weiner amendment that sought to use funds that would otherwise be paid during fiscal year 2007 as direct payments and counter-cyclical payments with regard to cotton and rice production, the Secretary of Agriculture shall make grants to the several States in an amount, for each State, equal to at least 0.75 percent of such funds, to be distributed to active agricultural producers in the State in a manner approved by the Secretary.

Pages H3102-03

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 830, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 ayes to 192 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 180, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 213 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 179.

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Began consideration of H. Res. 832, rule providing for consideration of H.R. 5427, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007. Further consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, Wednesday, May 24th.

Pages H3119-23

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3119.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3138–40.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and twelve recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3030–31, H3031–32, H3032, H3095, H3095–96, H3096–97, H3097–98, H3098–99, H3099, H3099–H3100, H3115–16, H3116, H3116–17, H3117, and H3118. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12 midnight.

# Committee Meetings PAYING FOR COLLEGE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing on Paying for College: Innovative Private-Sector Proposals to Complement Record Federal Investment in Student Aid. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### ANTIFREEZE BITTERING ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous held a hearing on H.R. 2567, Antifreeze Bittering Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Representative Ackerman; Stephen L. Johnson, Administrator, EPA; and public witnesses.

### GOVERNMENT'S PARTNERSHIP WITH PHARMACISTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Examining the Federal Government's Partnership with America's Pharmacists." Testimony was heard from Leslie Norwalk, Deputy Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### SAVING RURAL AMERICA'S RURAL HOUSING ACT OF 2006

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 5039, Saving America's Rural Housing Act of 2006.

### FEDERAL-LOCAL DRUG ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources held a hearing entitled "FY 2007 Drug Control Budget and the Byrne Grant, HIDTA, and other law enforcement programs: Are we jeopardizing federal, state and local cooperation?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Regina Schofield, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs; and Stuart Nash, Associate Deputy Attorney General and Director, Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force; Scott Burns, Deputy Director, State and Local Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and public witnesses.

### PUBLIC HOUSING AND THE PRIVATE MARKET

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census held a hearing entitled "Public Housing in the Competitive Market Place: Do Affordable and Public Housing Developments Benefit from Private Market and Other Financing Tools?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.